Weekly Volunteer Update

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit www.bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433.



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QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "The firefly shines when on the wing; so it is with the mind; when we rest we darken."

~ Gamaliel Bailey

20th Annual Great Outdoor Art Contest - Sept. 13

Artists of all ages will set up their easels on the grounds of the T.C. Steele State Historic Site on Saturday, September 13th in celebration of the birthday of Hoosier Impressionist painter T.C. Steele. See wonderful works of art come alive before your eyes and be a part of this event in beautiful Brown County that draws artists from across the Midwest and beyond. Volunteers of all ages are needed between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m. to help with logistics such as parking, artist check-in, refreshments and helping artists carry supplies. Please contact Andrea deTarnowsky at (812) 988-2785 or tcsteeleshs@dnr.in.gov (www.tcsteele.org).

Lotus Volunteers - Oct. 2-5

The Lotus World Music & Arts Festival, Oct. 2-5, offers many volunteer opportunities, from setting up and tearing down, staffing the store, helping with visual arts, checking wristbands, hanging banners, steering parade crowds, and more. Lotus volunteers are ambassadors to thousands of visitors and to performing artists from around the world. To review festival shift descriptions, visit http://www.lotusfest.org/LotusFest_VolJobs.html. To apply, go to lotusfestival.org. Apply by Aug. 25 to get first consideration of shift assignments. All volunteers must attend a brief orientation on either Sept. 20 or 25. Minimum age is 18. Questions? Email: volunteer@lotusfest.org (preferred), or call 812-337-0417 (leave a voicemail). (www.lotusfest.org (preferred).

Bloomington Sister Cities Day - Oct. 11

This organization promotes friendship and mutual aid between Bloomington and our sister cities in Nicaragua and Cuba. Volunteers are invited to join the group on Saturday morning, October 11th, at the Farmers' Market, to pass out literature, organize special activities for children, and share information about Sister Cities at their booth. Minimum age is 16. Please contact Barbara Seitz de Martinez at 855-1237 or seitzb@indiana.edu (www.bloomington.in.us/~sci-pos).

Front Desk Volunteer

The Family Service Association needs a smiling face - a friendly, outgoing and responsible person – to help in their front desk area on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, answering phones, greeting clients and helping with office projects. Minimum age is 18; please contact Kelli Odell at 812-339-1551 ext. 22 or kelli@bloomington.in.us (www.monroementalhealth.com).

Americorps Volunteers

Indiana University's School of Education has two AmeriCorps positions to fill — Math Matters Tutor Coordinator and Math Matters Mentor Coordinator. This non-profit math tutoring service is for students in grades 3-8. Position is approximately one year (1700 hours). Benefits include living allowance, health coverage, and end-of-service education award. Associate or Bachelor's degree required. Please send a cover letter, résumé, and all inquiries to: Diana Schmalzried at dschmalz@indiana.edu (preferred) or (812)856-8211.

Community Wish List – *Grant a wish for this community organization!*

MCCSC - Arlington Heights Elementary School A public school serving 355 students in grades K-6. To grant a wish, contact Dr. Linda Black at 330-7747 or lcblack@mccsc.edu (www.arlington.mccsc.edu)

Wishes: boys/girls underwear (sizes 6-12), coats, comb/brush sets, deodorant, elastic waistband pants for boys or girls (sizes 6x-12), shampoo, socks, sweatshirts, t-shirts (youth sizes S,M,L), toothbrushes (youth/soft), toothpaste

The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.